

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-8 as follows.

Claim 1. (currently amended) A ~~roller-processing~~ rolling apparatus for rolling/pressing an electrode structure in which a powdered electrode active substance is adhered to ~~the~~ a current collecting member, comprising a pair of work rolls ~~sandwiching and rolling and pressing the electrode structure therebetween,~~ at least a pair of backup rolls generating a pressing force onto ~~the-respective~~ each work roll, a pressuring device pressing at least one of said backup ~~roll~~ rolls toward the work roll side, and a drive unit rotating said work rolls.

Claim 2. (currently amended) The ~~roller-processing/rolling apparatus for rolling/pressing~~ an electrode structure as is claimed in Claim 1, wherein the diameter of said backup roll is larger than the diameter of said work roll.

Claim 3. (currently amended) The ~~roller-processing/rolling apparatus for rolling/pressing~~ an electrode structure as is claimed in Claim 1, wherein said backup roll has an elastic material coated on its surface.

Claim 4. (currently amended) The ~~roller-processing/rolling apparatus for rolling/pressing~~ an electrode structure as is claimed in Claim 1, which further comprises a work roll housing having an axle receive of said work roll inside and a housing having an axle receive of ~~the-respective~~ each roll inside, wherein a spacer is positioned between the respective housings.

Claim 5. (currently amended) A ~~roller-processing/~~ rolling apparatus for rolling/pressing an electrode structure in which

a powdered electrode active substance is adhered to the a current collecting member, comprising ~~one~~ a first work roll and ~~the other~~ a second work roll having an electrode structure ~~inbetween~~ therebetween, a backup roll generating a pressing force onto the surface of the other work roll, ~~and~~ a pressure device pressing the backup roll toward the work roll side, and a drive unit rotating the work roll.

6. (currently amended) The ~~roller-processing/~~ rolling apparatus for rolling/pressing an electrode structure as is claimed in Claim 5, wherein the diameter of said backup roll is larger than the diameter of said work roll.

7. (currently amended) The ~~roller-processing/~~ rolling apparatus for rolling/pressing an electrode structure as is claimed in Claim 5, wherein said backup roll has an elastic material coated on its surface.

8. (currently amended) The ~~roller-processing/~~ rolling apparatus for rolling/pressing an electrode structure as is claimed in Claim 5, which further comprises a work roll housing having an axle receive of said work roll inside and a housing having an axle receive of ~~the respective~~ each roll inside, wherein a spacer is positioned between the respective housings.